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## Lt. Gov. Peter Kinder Supports Proposal for Pershing Hall on Truman State Campus

\$21.5 Million Dollars Funded through The Lewis and Clark Discovery Initiative

**Kirksville, Missouri**- Lieutenant Governor Peter Kinder announced his support this afternoon for the proposed renovation and expansion of Pershing Hall on the Truman State University campus. The proposal is part of Governor Blunt's Lewis and Clark Discovery Initiative, and would provide nearly \$22 million dollars for the project.

"By providing the funds for new aerospace applications at Pershing Hall, we will put Missouri at the forefront of the business of discovery", said Lt. Governor Kinder. He added, "Governor Blunt's Lewis and Clark Discovery Initiative would invest almost \$22 million dollars for this project. This plan will help keep Truman State and the Kirksville area moving forward."

Under the current proposal under consideration in the Missouri legislature, Truman State would receive \$21,558,000 for the construction and renovation of Pershing Hall. The total project is estimated to cost \$24,735,000, with Truman State providing \$3,177,000 in matching funds.